

## **AGENDA**

### **CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR OPTOMETRISTS**

**Wednesday, November 12, 2008**

**9:15 AM**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut  
Second Floor – Conference Room F**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

##### **I. MINUTES**

Review and approval of the minutes of the September 10, 2008 meeting.

##### **II. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES**

Investigations Update

*Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor*

##### **III. NEW BUSINESS**

Schedule meeting dates for 2009

##### **IV. ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

#### **ADJOURN**

A Meeting of the **Connecticut Board of Examiners for Optometrists** was held on September 10, 2008 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, in the second floor Law Library.

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:     Edward F. Pinn, O.D., Chairman  
   Neil Malkin, O.D.  
   Joseph Pavano, OD  
   Henry W. Siegrist  
   John Sienko, O.D.  
   Jason Van Stone

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:     Patricia Henrietta Simmons

ALSO PRESENT:                 Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison  
   Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH  
   Maureen Dinnan, Esq.

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Dr. Pinn called the meeting to order at 9:19 a.m.

Dr. Pavano was to his first meeting as a Board member

**I.        MINUTES – May 7, 2008**

The minutes of May 7, 2008 were reviewed. Dr. Sienko made a motion, seconded by Mr. Siegrist, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

**II.       DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES**

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are three cases under investigation by the Department of Public Health. No cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for additional review.

Mr. Griffin also reported that one incident in which cosmetic contact lens were being sold in unlicensed establishment at the Danbury Fair Mall was investigated. The establishment was advised of the statutes and has voluntarily ceased selling the lenses.

**III.      NEW BUSINESS**

Health Assistance interVention Education Network for  
Connecticut Health Professionals – (HAVEN)

Maureen Dinnan, Esq., Neubert, Pepe & Monteith gave a presentation regarding the Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals (HAVEN). This program was developed pursuant to Public Act 07-103. Attorney Dinnan gave an overview of the programs mission, services and goals. It is planned that the Connecticut Optometric Association will be contacted to provide information regarding HAVEN to Connecticut Optometrists. Currently there are no Optometrists enrolled in the program.

**IV. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

**Continuing Education**

Dr. Pinn made a motion, second by Dr. Malkin, to add the review of a continuing education program to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed a request for approval of lectures offered by Connecticut Optometric Association regarding Neuro-Optometry.

Dr. Pavano made a motion, seconded by Dr. Malkin, recommending approval. The motion passed unanimously.

**V. ADJOURN**

Dr. Sienko made a motion, seconded by Dr. Malkin, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Sienko, O.D.  
Connecticut Board of Examiners for Optometrists